

Multi-party Open-Ended Conversations

with the Furhat Robot

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Implementation
Modular architecture
Event based

Evaluation
30 subjects
Group conversation
Parallel conversations

Conversation Manager

- ☞ Dialogue generation
- ☞ Addressee injection

Turn Taking

- ☞ Decide when to talk

Face Tracking & Voice Recognition

- ☞ Speaker position
- ☞ Absolute speaker recognition



Interactions Manager

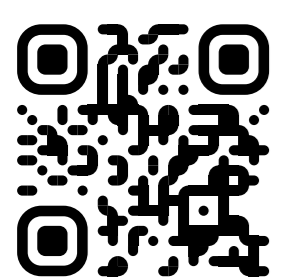
- ☞ Text to speech
- ☞ Interrupt handling
- ☞ Attend to user

Diarisation

- ☞ Speech to text
- ☞ Track last spoken sentence

Speaker Awareness

- ☞ Voice direction of arrival
- ☞ Turn changes detection



Left: link to the paper. Below: frequencies of the system's latencies. Bottom: voice recognition, face recognition and addressee injection performances. Right: how many times each topic was mentioned during quantitative evaluations, with positive and negative connotations, in the two settings.

